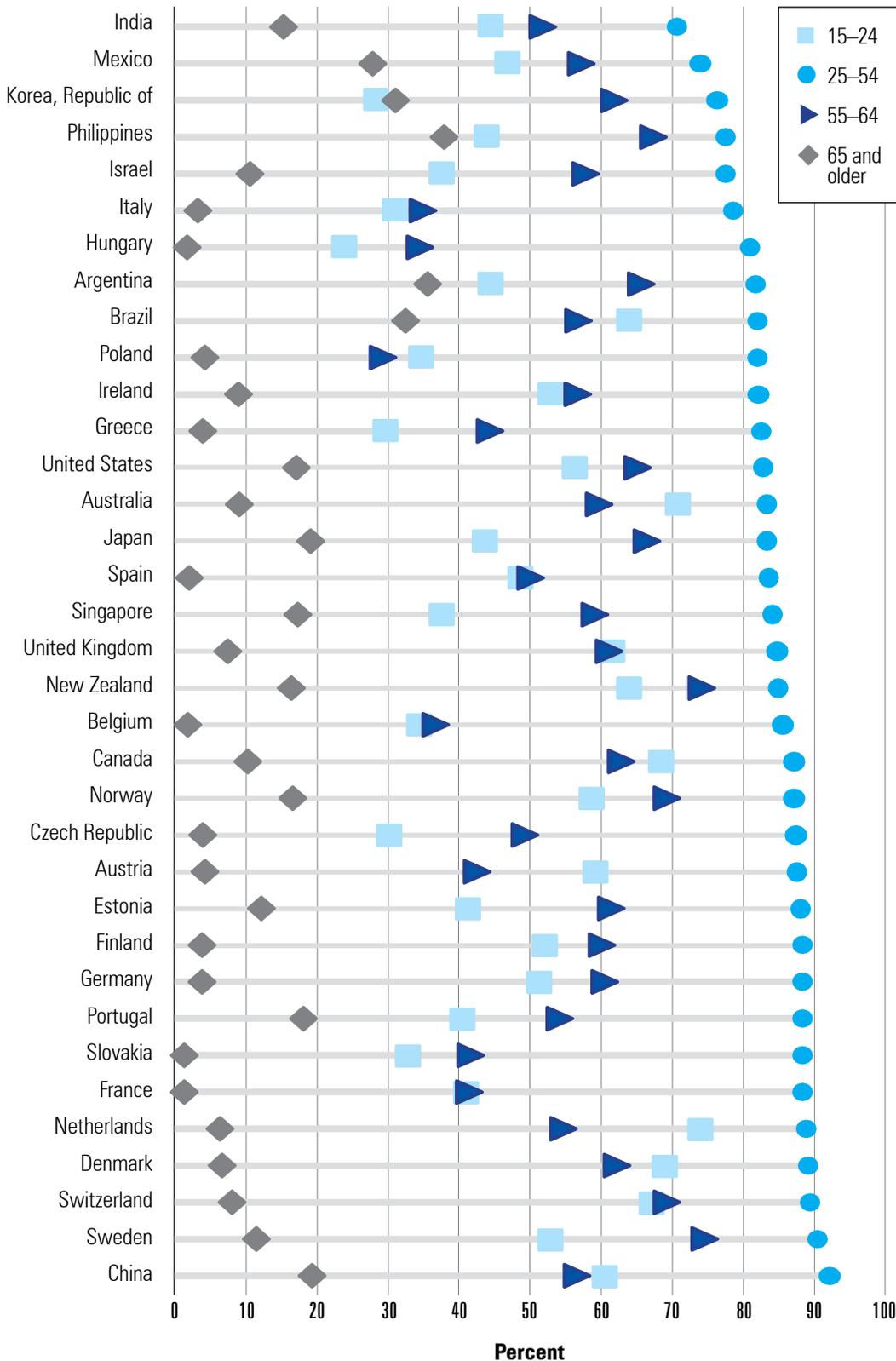


Labor force participation rates by age, selected countries, 2009

CHART 2.3



Participation rates were highest for persons ages 25 to 54 in all countries and lowest for those ages 65 and older in all countries except the Republic of Korea.

- In Argentina and the Philippines, more than one-third of persons ages 65 and older were still in the labor force. In contrast, many European countries had rates below 5 percent for this age group.
- Participation rates among youth varied most across countries. The Netherlands and Australia had the highest participation rates (above 70 percent) while Hungary, the Republic of Korea, and Greece had the lowest rates (under 30 percent).

SOURCE: International Labour Office